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Assessment & Accountability 2007 Conferences

Registration will be available online in early September for the Educational Assessment and Accountability 2007 Conferences at www.gomiem.org. The conferences will each be a two-day conference, with the first day primarily devoted to MEAP, MME, ELL and accountability issues. The second day will focus on state assessments for students with disabilities.

The early bird registration fee is \$100 for one day and \$200 for both days. The deadline for the early bird price is two weeks prior to each individual conference. The regular rate will be in the two week period prior to each conference, \$115 for one day and \$230 for both days. Walk-in registrations will cost \$125 per day and must be paid at that time. Walk-ins will only be allowed if space is available.

Following are the dates and locations for the 2007 conferences:

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| October 29 & 30 | Battle Creek - McCamly Plaza |
| November 6 & 7 | Marquette - Northern MI University |
| November 8 & 9 | Thompsonville - Crystal Mountain |
| November 14 & 15 | Sterling Heights - Sterling Inn |
| November 19 & 20 | Lansing - Lansing Center |
| November 29 & 30 | Novi - Sheraton Detroit Novi |

Informational brochures will be in districts in mid-September. For conference information, please contact Tami Feldpausch at 517-241-4136 or FeldpauschT@mi.gov. For registration information, please contact Diane Dick at MIEM. Her number is 517-327-9261, and her email is ddick@gomasa.org.

Fall 2007 MEAP Assessments

This fall there will continue to be multiple forms of each MEAP subject area assessment. There will be ten forms of the English language arts and mathematics assessments in each of grades 3 through 8 as well as the science assessment in each of grades 5 and 8. There will be seven forms of the social studies assessment in each of grades 6 and 9.

Fall assessment booklets will be “spiraled” within classrooms, so that a classroom will receive multiple forms of the assessment booklets for each grade (i. e., ELA forms 1-6 or ELA forms 7-10; mathematics forms 1-5 or 6-10, science forms 1-5 or 6-10, and social studies forms 1-4 or 5-7).

In order to simplify distribution on forms, there will only be one answer document per grade level for each subject area assessment, including ELA (last year, ELA had multiple answer documents for use with specific forms, which led to confusion in many instances).

MEAP Guide to Reports, High School Assessment, Spring 2007

The Guide to Reports for the spring 2007 MEAP High School Assessment has been posted to the MEAP web page at www.michigan.gov/meap under *What's New*. Since this was the final administration of the MEAP high school assessment, the guide provides details of the reports for those 12th grade students that took the assessments.

Fall 2007 MEAP Administrator Manual and Coordinator Handbook

Both the MEAP Administrator Manual and MEAP District and Building Coordinator Handbook have been posted to the MEAP web page at www.michigan.gov/meap under *Fall 2007 Assessments*.

The MEAP Administrator Manual and Coordinator Handbook will be included in the initial shipment of MEAP material to schools this fall. Fall 2007 MEAP materials are due to be shipped to schools during the week of September 24, 2007.

Fall 2007 MEAP Coordinator Briefing

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, September 18th, at 3:30 p.m. for the Fall 2007 MEAP Coordinator Briefing live videoconference at Wayne County RESA.

This year MEAP staff will not be able to travel around the state to present the Coordinator Briefing. There will be one live videoconference that will originate from Wayne RESA and be distributed to various ISDs around the state. There will be limited on-site attendance for which individuals must pre-register.

For those cannot attend one of the videoconference locations, a live video stream will be available on the internet. The video stream will also be available for viewing for several days after the video conference.

In addition, DVD and VHS tape versions will be available for purchase from Wayne RESA.

Watch the MEAP web page and future Coordinator Updates for the announcement with registration information and a listing of ISD host sites.

Fall 2007 MEAP Pre-Identification Timeline

The deadline for the pre-identification of students to be assessed in Grades 3 – 9 this fall was July 31st. Students that were identified on the OEAA Secure Site prior to the end of the day on July 31st will receive pre-identified answer documents (except Grade 3 students). The number of students pre-identified by the July 31st deadline was triple the number in previous years. Thank you to everyone who got their pre-identification submitted.

Schools can still pre-identify students between August 1st and September 21st and receive printed barcode labels from the contractor to be placed on answer documents.

Students identified after September 21st will need barcode labels printed by the school to be placed on the answer documents prior to return for scoring.

MME Auxiliary Test Centers

MME Auxiliary Test Centers are established by the Michigan Department of Education for nonpublic high school students (and Michigan residents attending high school outside Michigan) whose own schools choose not to offer the Michigan Merit Examination (MME). MME Auxiliary Test Centers are operated by ACT, Inc. To register, go to www.michigan.gov/mme and click on "MME Auxiliary Test Centers." Registration forms will be posted there by August 20.

OEAA Contact Information

OEAA web site: www.michigan.gov/oeaa

OEAA Secure database: www.michigan.gov/oeaa-secure

OEAA email address: oeaa@michigan.gov

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OEAA Office toll-free phone number: 877-560-8378

OEAA Office fax number: 517-335-1186

MEAP web site: www.michigan.gov/meap

MME web site: www.michigan.gov/mme

Department of Treasury, Michigan Promise scholarship: 888-447-2687